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Commissioners
Arizona Corporation Commission

Dear members of the Arizona Corporation Commission,

Docket Number: E-01345A-16-0036 JE-01345A-16-0123

I am writing to urge you to say no to the proposed APS rate hike.

As an APS customer, the need for APS to invest in costly generation, transmission and distribution is reduced when I reduce my electricity use. However, if APS increases its monthly fixed fee, consumers who work hard to conserve energy and be more energy efficient can't do anything to reduce that fee. That isn't fair. Please oppose any increase to the basic service charge.

Please also vote no on mandatory residential demand charges. I appreciate that the Commission did not approve these charges in its recent decisions on the UNS Electric and TEP rate cases. Please continue that trend. Charging consumers for the maximum amount of demand used in only one hour of the month is likely to increase what consumers pay each month and decrease incentives to reduce energy use.

Please say no to unfair utility charges.

We try to buy energy efficient appliances, turn everything off when we aren't using it, are buying a new home which is energy star rated, have converted all our light bulbs to energy conserving leds, and every we can to reduce energy consumption. It is blatantly unfair to impose demand charges on us based on one days high consumption when the other 29 days of the month are very low. We also intend to put a solar system on our new home so please do everything you can to make this a n economical solution to reduce energy consumption from fossil fuel sources.

Sincerely, Jim Eilts (recently retired and moved to AZ from NE to escape high taxes and utility rates)

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